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Re: U.S. Patent Application to be filed under 35 U.S.C. §111 claiming continuation-in-part status from International Patent Application No. PCT/DE00/00565, filed February 24, 2000, which claims priority from Federal Republic of Germany Patent Application No. 199 35 756.0, filed July 27, 1999.

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TITLE: COVALENTLY CLOSED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES FOR
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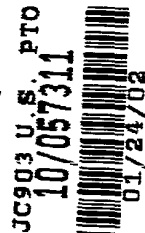
Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

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- (X) 1. the above-identified patent application having 52 pages and 42 claims;
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- (X) 3. a diskette containing a copy of the Sequence Listing in computer readable form in a sealed envelope;
- (X) 4. a Statement of Identity Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) for New U.S. Patent Application;
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- (X) 6. 4 sheets of drawings; and
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